GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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REPORT ON POLLUTION IN WATER BODIES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to the C&AG`s report of 2001 certain States have not achieved the objectives to prevent and control pollution of water bodies as provided for in the Water Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government have taken any measures to control and prevent the pollution of water bodies; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEV)

(a)to(d) The Report of the Controller and Auditor General of 2001 has pointed outthat large number of industries are operating without valid consent or requisite pollution control facilities. The Central Pollution Control Board accordingly, has issued directions under section 18 (1) of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 to the State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs) and the Pollution Control Committees(PCCs) to identifyindustries operating without valid consent or without the requisite pollution control facilities and to take appropriate legal action against all such industries. The State Pollution Control Boards have also initiated various steps including prevention, promotion and mitigation measures to control water pollution.